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## United Church

Church School, 2 p.m.  
 "We ought never to be willing to live any year just as we lived the last one."—Dr. J. R. Miller.  
 That means, for one thing, we should do better in our attendance on Sunday.  
 Praise Worship, 7:30 p.m.  
 May we come to worship with gratitude and praise and together seek guidance in living. The Minister's message will make appeal to young as well as old, "Living the Straight Life."  
 Extra music by the choir.  
 N. W. Whitmore, Minister.

## Inoculation for Scarlet Fever

Inoculation for Scarlet Fever will take place at the School on Friday afternoon. Parents who wish to have their children inoculated are advised accordingly.

## Here and There

**Township**—For the first time since after fees have been exhibited at the Royal Winter Fair here, Ontario breeders have seriously challenged the supremacy of the Prince Edward Island fox farmers.

**Immigration to Canada** for the first nine months of the calendar year 1926 shows an increase of 65 per cent over the same period a year ago according to a statement issued recently by the Department of Immigration and Colonization.

**Manitow, New Brunswick**—Frozen blueberries are now being shipped in quantity to Cleveland and other centres in the United States. So far eight carloads have left Moncton, fed so that the fruit will remain frozen. Two more carloads are about to go forward.

**Vancouver, British Columbia**—A Famous Players-Lasky are to establish a plant in British Columbia for film production, it was announced in connection with the \$15,000,000 concern known as the Famous Players Canadian Corporation, Limited, of Toronto.

**Traffic in grain from Winnipeg** along the Canadian Pacific Railway New this year has been heavier than last year by over 12,000,000 bushels. With 110,295,695 bushels marketed and 68,010 cars loaded the increases over last year's ten month period were 12,188,437 bushels and 8,538 cars.

**Antwerp, Belgium**—When the Canadian Pacific steamer *Medea* arrived recently, she was given an official welcome and a great popular demonstration as the thousand vessel to enter the port of Antwerp this year. An elaborate programme was arranged in her honor.

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## Hospital Notes

Frank Tucker, of Social Plains, had teeth extracted.  
 Ben Horn, had tooth extracted.  
 Mrs. A. Bell, is an inmate of the local hospital.  
 Mr. Ivey, of Sceptre, underwent an appendix operation, Tuesday.  
 Mr. Vlidisav, is an inmate of the local hospital.  
 Wm. Rowles, is an inmate of this hospital, undergoing treatment for tonsillitis and bronchitis.  
 Mrs. P. Smarzyk, underwent a blood transfusion, Sunday, and had her appendix removed on Monday. Bill Smarzyk was the donor of the blood, and outside of being a little paler is none the worse for the ordeal. Mrs. Smarzyk is progressing favorably.  
 Harold Wenzel, of Leader, had his tonsils and adenoids removed on Tuesday night.

## School District Obtain Title

A deal was recently consummated by the local School Board, with the C. P. R. Natural Resources Department, whereby they obtained title to the land on which the school stands and the grounds, at a price considerably below the figure originally agreed on.

Saint John—Moose are reported nearly three times as plentiful this year than last in the Tobique district, according to Burton L. Moore, well-known guide. The rapid increase of these big game animals points to migrations into the territory. Guides and sportsmen have not yet decided the source of the movement.

A great assist to the travellers on the C.P.R. lines will be put into effect with the first sailing of the winter season of the C. P. liner "Medea," when for the sailings of C. P. liners from Saint John to Europe between December 1st and April 12th, through tourist sleeping cars will be operated on C.P.R. trains from Winnipeg direct to the ship's side at the New Brunswick port.

Desirous of popularizing old French-Canadian folk songs among the English-speaking people of this country, the National Council of Education, on the initiative of Major P. J. Noy, made recent arrangements with Charles Marchand, well-known singer, for a comprehensive tour of the Canadian west. The folk songs which Mr. Marchand will render in English have been specially translated by J. Murray Gibson, dean of publicity of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

Diversification of six miles of Canadian Pacific Railway tracks has been completed and raising of three additional miles of tracks is under way in the Gatineau Valley, according to word received at headquarters of the company recently. This diversification has occurred between Mile 8 and Mile 14, and affects the stations of Tenaga, Kirk's Ferry, La Charite, Benoit, and Guelbelle, well-known summer resorts in that district, while the station affected by the raising of the tracks is that of Farm Point. The work has been in progress since April of this year.

## Local Bospital Date Set To Commence First Tuesday in February

A meeting of the Empress Curling Club, was held in the parlors of the hotel, for the purpose of discussing arrangements necessary in connection with holding a bonspiel with holding a bonspiel. The meeting was well attended and good interest was evidenced in the discussions.  
 It was resolved that the Bonspiel should be held on the first Tuesday in February, 1927, and following days, till completed.  
 Messrs. W. R. Brodie and T. Wallace were appointed a Bonspiel Prize Committee.  
 Messrs. R. L. Arthur and I. Clark were appointed Bonspiel schedule committee.

It was resolved that two men, who are non-members of the club, and wished to play in Bonspiel, be assessed a membership fee of \$10.  
 A Skating Rink Committee, composed of Messrs. N. P. Storey, Shaw and Bellie was appointed.

Other resolutions were: That bonspiel rules apply during Spiel. That membership tickets are not transferable. That rinks as constituted at present be bonspiel contestants and that there be no breaking up of rinks for this purpose. That each rink member be assessed 100 towards one of prizes.  
 It was resolved that any local Society who wished to enter refreshments to the Curlers during the Spiel, was at liberty to do so.  
 Ira Clark was appointed as assistant to the Caretaker during the Spiel.

It was resolved that a banquet be held at the end of the season. Messrs. McEachern, Moore and Brodie, were appointed a committee to act in this regard.

## The New Year

A year to be glad in,  
 Not to be bad in,  
 A year to live by,  
 To gain and give in,  
 A year for trying,  
 And not for sighing,  
 A year for striving,  
 And hearty thriving:  
 A bright New Year!  
 Oh! hold it dear!  
 For God who sendeth  
 Only lendeth.  
 —Mary Mapes Dodge.

Sid Hamilton, resumed his post office duties, Monday.

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## Local and General Notes

Vern Hanna, was indisposed for a few days the first of the week.  
 Master Kaylor, Falconer, of Bindloos, who is suffering with rheumatism, is progressing favorably.

The annual school meeting takes place next Friday, January 14, and a meeting for election school trustees on the Monday following, January 17.

Const. T. Wallace, made a trip to Bindloos, Wednesday, and reports the snow has almost gone off the land.

School recommenced Monday, three classrooms operating, Miss Ainslie's, the junior class-room, re-opened, Tuesday.

Mr. Shaw, principal of the local school, returned on Friday last, from holidays spent in Medicine Hat.

Messrs. R. L. Tucker and F. G. Lawson, have entered into business at Bindloos, under the firm name, Bindloos Cabinet Works, as wood workers, furniture, repairers, radio cabinet makers, etc.

Golf enthusiasts are reported as playing a few rounds of golf on the course at Medicine Hat, New Year's day. The warm weather of the latter part of December having cleared the course of snow.

## New Year's Eve Dance

There was a very fair attendance at the dance held in the local theatre on New Year's Eve. Tom Wallace filled the position of floor-manager, and kept the dancers busy tripping the light fantastic.

## Slaughtering Buffalo at The Wainwright Park

Wainwright, December 30.—Up to the present, 24 cars of choice buffalo meat, has been shipped by P. Barnes and Company, from the park abattoir where the slaughtering of two thousand buffalo is taking place. This work is now completed. Though there have been some heavy snows and storms in the district, trucks are still used in bringing the dressed meat to the refrigerator cars, employed in the rail transportation of the meat to its widespread destinations.

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## R.M. of Mantario

Minutes of Meeting of Thursday, December 16, 1926, at Orange Hall, N. W. 10, 20, 40, w.3, at 10 a.m. Present, Reeve Rivers, Councillors Kinch, Douglas, Batty, Austrom and Edwards.

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed on motion of Councillor Edwards.

Austrom—That note in favour of the J. D. Adams Co. for grader, be paid, \$85.14.

Batty—That Debenture payment due Haron & Eric, \$34.25, on January 1st, 1927, be paid, and that \$150 be advanced the Alaska Telephone Co. to meet their debenture due January 1, 1927.

Batty—That advance be made to Estonia Hospital of \$625.79 and that the Sec. Treas. take up with the Department the question of the liability of the Municipality to make advances over and above the collections.

Batty—That the Reeve be and is hereby authorized to sign a note not to exceed \$10,000 in case of need to meet debenture payments.

Edwards—That the report of the Municipal Inspector be accepted and filed.

Douglas—That \$1 be paid W. F. J. Montgomery, acct. roads.

Div. II, omitted from pay sheet in 1925.

Rivers—That the letter from the Royal Bank requesting the lifting of certain stop notices in regard to lost cheques be filed and that the request of the Bank be complied with.

Accounts passed by payment by finance committee ordered paid on motion of Mr. Kinch.

Roads—Div. IV, maintenance, E. R. Saunders, 4.00; Roads, Div. I, maintenance, time sheet, 56.00; Bridges, Div. I, capital account, G. Hassard, 18.00; Sharpening grade, G. Hassard, 3.50; O. K. Rubber Stamp Co., 3.75; Sec. Treas., postage, expenses, exchange, etc., 32.28; Rent, all Bn. Roads, Div. II, maintenance, 20.00; A. E. McKelvie, Roads Div. VI, maintenance, 10.00; Empress hospital patients fees, 129.00; E. Tomlin Hosp. Dist., 102.65; Datto, patients fees, 7.50; Atsack News, notices, 2.50; J. C. Hughes, posturing boxes, 5.55; Commission on collections to ratepayers, 498.64.

Dr. HOFFER  
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## Anglican Church

Services on January 9th, 1927 (1st Sunday after the Epiphany):  
 10.00 a.m., Holy Communion.  
 11.30, Sunday School.  
 7.30 p.m., Evening Prayer.  
 L. J. Tatham,  
 Priest-in-charge.

Richardson Road Machinery Co., Div. VI, maintenance, \$50.00; Roads, Div. II, capital, J. C. Wason, 13.00; J. H. Ferguson, \$7.05; H. H. McWhinney, \$4.00; V. French, 21.00; J. Foster, 10.00; G. Hamilton, 10.00; C. Haldenby, Roads, Div. III, maintenance, 4.00; Stationery Supplies Com., 10.35. Total, 1431.52.

Rivers—That accounts of the members of the Council for Supervision of Roads be paid as under:

Div. I, E. Kinch, 78.00.  
 Div. II, A. J. Douglas, \$2.30.  
 Div. III, J. Batty, \$7.10.  
 Div. IV, H. Austrom, \$5.70.  
 Div. V, J. D. Edwards, 101.10.  
 General account, J. F. Rivers, 9.10.

Total, 453.80.  
 Rivers—That rent of hall be paid; Orange Hall, 8 meetings, 40.00; Trossley School, 4 meetings, 20.00.

Rivers—That retainer to Dec. 31st, 1926, be paid Murray & Walker \$25 and that \$5.00 be credited, A. J. McCurdy, hospital aid account for salary as caretaker, Mayfield Cemetery, 1925 and 1926.

The result of poll in regard to beer district was then declared, and election of Reeve and Councillors by acclamation as published previously.

Moved Rivers and carried.—That the first meeting of 1927 be held at Trossley School, N.W. 9, 27, 28, w. 3, on Monday, Jan. 3rd, at 10 a.m. C. Edwards dissenting.  
 C. Evans, Sergeant, Sec. Treas.

## Starting Jan. 8, '27

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 NOTICE is hereby given that, in accordance with the provisions of The Irrigation Act, the irrigation laws and regulations of the Government of Canada, and the right to construct the necessary works, as shown by the plan attached to the petition, to enable the water so diverted to be used for the said irrigation purposes, in the southwest quarter of section 16, and the southeast quarter of said section 16, T42D27 at Bindloos, Alta., this 15th day of December, 1926.  
 Clinton A. Jarboe and H. P. Gravett, Applicants.



# Inter-Allied Control of Germany Will Cease On January 31, 1927

Geneva.—Cession has again triumphed at Geneva in the peaceful handling of Franco-German relations. After days of doubt, almost despair, M. Briand and Gustave Stresemann, as well as Sir Austen Chamberlain, M. Vanderelde, Signor Scholasio and Viscount Balfour reached an accord whereby by inter-allied control of German armaments will cease January 31, 1927, and will be merged into a system of League of Nations investigations by commissions to examine German armaments when protests are made that the treaty is not fulfilling the conditions of the Versailles Treaty. The announcement was made by M. Briand and Gustave Stresemann.

Germany regarded military control as venetian and offensive to her national prestige, and Dr. Stresemann now returns to Berlin with something definite to present to his people.

On the other hand, a distinguished Frenchman said that France, by agreement negotiated, has continued security—that security which is the foundation stone of French national politics.

By the terms of the second unratified questions—the strength of the fortresses at Koblenz, Kehl, and Bingen, and the question of war material—will be considered through the regular diplomatic channels for settlement, primarily through the ambassadors' circle. If they are not settled in this manner, they will be submitted to the council of the League of Nations.

## Opening Of Parliament

Speech From The Throne Is Read by Lord Willingdon. The opening of Parliament was the most brilliant in many years. Official guests filled the Senate chamber to overflowing. Scores of women in full dress had to be accommodated in the vestibule of the Senate, which was turned into an auditorium for the occasion.

Lord Willingdon read the speech from the throne for the first time in his term as Governor-General. As anticipated, it contained no very controversial legislation. Beside him were Premier Mackenzie King in Windsor uniform and Senator Hays in Danesburg, Government House, Ottawa. In the Senate, Bishops, senators, judges, soldiers and police commissioners, in full dress, but colorless as the scene. As many women as could be accommodated filled the chamber with a riot of color.

## Decrease In Betting

Toronto.—A decrease of more than six million dollars in the amount wagered at the various Ontario race tracks during the past season, compared with 1925, is shown in the report of the provincial racing board. In this year was \$27,412,218, whereas last year it was \$32,985,415. A corresponding reduction is effected in the government tax of 5 per cent, which this year amounted to \$1,571,922, a loss of \$201,812.

## Rumor Is Denied

Ottawa.—The rumored negotiation of a trade treaty between Canada and the Republic of Cuba was denied here.

## Western Crop Movement Has Been Delayed By Inclement Weather

Port William, Ont.—For the third month in succession inclement weather in Western Canada and around the Great Lakes has continued to add to the difficulty of moving the Canadian grain crop, according to the report of E. A. Croft, statistician to the board of grain commissioners, who reported on the movement of the Western crop for November.

The report states that harvesting and threshing of practically all the grain crop was completed before heavy snowstorms and sub-zero temperatures prevented further work in the open.

Deliveries at country elevators are considerably below last year in spite of the fact that every effort was made to have as large a proportion of the surplus delivered as early as possible to allow large shipments down the Great Lakes in readiness for export during the winter season.

Reference is made in the report to ice blockades and a shortage of trans-

## British Army Reduced

Done to Increase War Office Jobs Says

Says Lord Middleton. The British army is two-thirds of its pre-war strength today, the figures showing a decrease of 234,000 men compared with the 1914 period, but the administrative staff of the war office is doubled.

These facts were brought out by Lord Middleton during a debate in the House of Lords. He expressed alarm at the reduction when nations still are disposed to fly at each others' throats.

Detailed stampings indicated thirty units of field and garrison artillery, with a total of 7,699 men; thirteen battalions of the line are gone; nine others are reduced; three regiments of cavalry are abolished, and others are reduced to skeleton size.

Referring to the doubling of the administrative staff, Lord Middleton said: "It is a misnomer to suggest to the army in order to maintain the office of the Government."

Replying for the Government, Lord Dunsford, under-secretary of the war office, defended the reduction policy, declaring that the strength of the army does not follow how what is compatible with the present military services of the Empire. He admitted that the recruiting had not come up to the expectation of earlier estimates.

## Prince George Invited

Asked by Ottawa's Mayor to Attend

Regarding Last Year's Resolution. Ottawa.—Following announcement that H. R. H. the Prince of Wales and Premier Stanley Baldwin have been invited to visit the Dominion in 1927 in connection with the celebration of the diamond jubilee of confederation, it has now become known that Prince George, younger member of the Royal House of Windsor, has received a letter inviting him to visit the Dominion.

Major John Dunsford, of Ottawa, accepted the invitation to the similar place during the latter's stay here over the weekend, and it was announced.

## Saskatchewan Wheat Pool

A. J. McPhail Is Again Elected President at Organization Meeting. Regina.—The McPhail family was re-elected president of the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool at the organization meeting of the newly elected board of directors, and L. C. Hough, president, was re-elected vice-president.

Other members of the wheat pool executive were elected as follows: Harry Marsh, Horehelt; J. H. Weston, Midland; Brooks, Canby.

## Members to Receive Cheques

Ottawa.—When members of Parliament leave here for Christmas, they will take with them more money than they expected for their Christmas shopping. It is understood that cheques to cover 23 days' allowance out of their \$4,000 per session will be issued by the treasury. This covers the period to December 31, and presumably will be reckoned as about one-fourth of the prescribed minimum term of 90 days.

## Honorary Aides-de-Camp

Ottawa.—The list of honorary aides-de-camp, announced today by the Governor-General, includes: Col. H. S. Fobin, Victoria; Lt.-Col. D. J. Macdonald, Regina; Lt.-Col. E. M. Steel, Calgary; Commander Percy W. Nelson, Esquimaux, B.C.



## Celebrate Golden Wedding

Fifty years of a happy married life was not the only history that can be related by Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Murray, of Montreal, who are here seen in the board room of the Atlantic Hotel on the occasion of a gold presentation recently.

Mr. Murray has devoted his life to the port of Montreal and is today one of its best-known figures. He is seventy-five years of age, and was born in Dublin, on Nov. 26, 1856, he

## Would Study Market Conditions In Europe

Saskatchewan Livestock Pool Applies for Friends to Help Finance Trip

Saskatoon.—Application for financial assistance in sending a commission to study marketing of livestock products in Europe has been made by the Saskatchewan Livestock Pool to the trustees of the Saskatchewan Agricultural Research Foundation. Representatives of the Pool were in the City and waited upon the trustees in connection with the matter.

It is understood that the pool is desirous of sending a commission to study the marketing and marketing methods in regard to hogs used in Denmark and Ireland, Canada's chief competitors in the British market. It also wishes to study the British market and its requirements.

It is also considered that it would obtain valuable information from a visit to Holland in order to inspect the new plant for handling cattle being erected by the Argentine at Antwerp, although it is not contemplated that the pool will engage in the processing of cattle for some time, at least.

## National Farmers' Body

Organization Requested to Deal With

Many Problems. Sask.—A conference took place at the offices of the Board of Trade here between the committee of trustees of the United Farmers of Canada, Saskatchewan section, the new organization resulting from the amalgamation of the Saskatchewan Grain Growers association and the Farmers' Union of Canada, and a committee from the Canadian Council of Agriculture. At the conclusion of the conference a statement was issued saying in part:

"A very free and friendly discussion took place, in which the position of both organizations was made clear. It was desirable that there should be a formal body through which the farmers' organizations in the different provinces could speak with a united voice on the many important national problems with which they are confronted."

## Easy To Smuggle Goods

Cutbacks Probe at Coast Hears Some Strange Statements

Vancouver.—Material incriminating a number of cutbacks at the customs probe. There were mysterious code telegrams to which witnesses solemnly refused to furnish the key. There was talk of liquor running by automobile lake across the border with offers of return cargoes of machine guns to be transported to China. There were details of cheques and accounts with an item of many thousands payable for funds. Finally there was evidence which indicated that it is comparatively easy matter to smuggle goods from the United States into Canada as well as from Canada into the United States across the international boundary line which runs through the Strait of Juan de Fuca and the American republics.

# Estimates Are Tabled In House, Amounting To \$191,000,000

## British Labor Leader

Urges "General Elections"

Ramsay MacDonald Moves Vote of

Censure on Baldwin Government. London.—Premier Premier J. Ramsay MacDonald, Labor leader, in the House of Commons, moved a Labor vote of censure on the Baldwin Government regarding its policy during the miners' dispute.

His motion was received with loud cheers from the Opposition benches. Mr. MacDonald declared the Government's policy had steadily alienated the confidence of the country and urged that a general election be held. Premier Baldwin, replying, was greeted with hisses and shouts of "Mussolini" from Laborites, who were cheered by cheers from the supporters of the Prime Minister. Mr. Baldwin said he would hold a general election in good time, but that he would not be intimidated by threats.

## People In Chinese City Are Starving

Terrible Conditions Exist In Besieged City of Shanxi

Peking.—The populace of the city of Shanxi, capital of Shensi Province, is buying and eating human flesh to stave off starvation as the result of being besieged for months because of factional fighting. This information is contained in dispatches received here from the Chinese refugees who maintain they have passed the lines of the besieged city.

The streets of Shanxi are strewn with dead and the natives have been robbed of all foodstuffs by soldiers. There were 19 foreigners in the city, according to reports, including five British citizens.

## Will Contest Leadership

Lord Grey Has Accepted Aquilino's

Statement of Support Is Assured. London.—A striking development in the struggle for leadership of the Liberal party is announced by The Evening Standard, which says Viscount Grey of Fallodon has agreed, if assured of adequate support, to accept leadership of the action which will follow former Premier Lloyd George.

In other words, Lord Grey is taking over the Aquilino faction which has been without a leader since the retirement of Lord Asquith. This means an end to the main estimate of the powers now ruling Soviet Russia, has been subscribed as head of the Grey faction.

## Council Chooses Geneva

Geneva.—Convention of an international council of states, which has been recommended, was voted by the Council of the League of Nations, for May 1, 1927. The United States has been invited to send delegates.

# Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux Is Elected Speaker Of The House Of Commons

Ottawa.—Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux was elected Speaker of the House of Commons. He is the only speaker in Canadian history who has presided over Commons for three successive parliaments. He was nominated by Premier King and seconded by Hon. Ernest Lapointe, Minister of Justice.

Hon. Hugh Guthrie, Conservative leader, announced the election of Mr. Lemieux on the ground that the custom of having a speaker's chair filled alternately by French-Canadian and Anglo-Saxon Canadians, which rule prevailed during the regimes of Sir John A. Macdonald, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and Sir Robert Borden, he re-

instated. Mr. Lemieux, a Sir French-Canadian, was, however, declared elected by the clerk of the House.

The election of the speaker followed the ancient custom of the Commons, being announced to the Senate Chamber, where the deputy of the speaker would then return back to the Commons Chamber to elect a speaker.

Mr. Guthrie said he had no objections personally to Mr. Lemieux or to his qualifications for the office, but considered that stronger reasons than

## Ottawa.—The estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1927, were tabled in the House of Commons. The total amount to be voted is \$191,000,000, which is exactly the same amount as appeared in the estimates of the last Parliament and were not passed.

The estimates tabled today are of particular interest because they contain the details of interim supply and the money spent by Government's warrants. The sudden abolition of Parliament last summer made it necessary for the Government in power to provide for the Government services by royal warrant instead of by parliamentary approval. Consequently \$75,758,000 was spent by warrant to provide for the services which had been mentioned in the unpassed estimates. There were also certain grants authorized by royal warrant for purposes not specifically mentioned in the estimates which were before Parliament last session. These items are shown in the statement tabled by the Hon. J. A. Robb, minister of finance, recently. They include:

\$40 for unemployment relief.

\$25,000 for the expenses of the commission investigating the customs and excise department.

\$10,000 in connection with the visit of Queen Marie of Romania.

\$25,000 for the expenses of the Canadian delegates to the Imperial Conference.

\$17,843 for transportation of Albert to the coast of Ontario.

\$10,000 for the reception to the Governor-General.

Other prominent items include the removal of the wreck of the S.S. Imperial, \$75,000; \$151,000 toward the construction of the Halifax elevator and \$100,000 for the construction of the new bridge over the Don River in all \$562,881 was spent by Government's warrants for items not included in the main estimate of the last Parliament. The total spent by Government's warrants for all purposes since Parliament was dissolved early in the summer was \$80,219,000.

## Not Popular In Russia

Leon Trotsky Has Lost Choice

Positions in Government. Moscow.—The eclipse of Leon Trotsky from the political horizon of Soviet Russia continues.

The former Bolshevik war hero has been almost lost to the forefront position in the Russian Government because of his views in opposition to the powers now ruling Soviet Russia, has been removed as head of the Soviet foreign ministry, and the Soviet works, a state enterprise.

## Planning Another Attempt

Washington.—Another attempt to cross the Atlantic by aeroplane, this time from Paris to New York, will be made next year, says a newspaper from the time of Sir John A. Macdonald, of alternating in the speakership between the two great predominating races of this country.

Robert Gardiner (Progressive, Acadia), supported the nomination of Mr. Lemieux as speaker, in his opinion, was particularly qualified.

R. S. White (Conservative, Mount Allison) said he also favored the nomination of Mr. Lemieux as Speaker, and did so on personal grounds, and not on the basis of the qualifications of Mr. Lemieux.

W. N. U. 1629



# Canada's Trade With Britain Is Languishing, Notwithstanding The Preference To British Goods

In a recent editorial the Ottawa Journal presented an interesting and comprehensive analysis of Canada's trade with Britain. It revealed some notable features, not the least important being that Canadian exports to Britain are lagging behind.

British have been going to foster British trade. We have built transcontinental railways, harbours, canals. We have given British goods a preference; have had Royal Commissions on Empire Trade; Economic Conferences; Committees on Imperial Communications; and Imperial Shipping Committees.

Yet Canada's Empire trade is languishing; new foreign trade lingers. Each year, tariff barriers and Customs borders and trade barriers notwithstanding, we trade more and more with foreign nations.

During the months of this year (April-August), we sold abroad \$5,600,000 more goods than during the same period last year. Britain's custom declined by \$5,000,000. Uncle Davis by \$3,000,000. The United States by \$2,000,000. France and Canada's exports to the United States, \$15,000,000 more than last year, accounting for the bulk of our sale.

And so with imports. During this same period these are the latest figures we bought \$9,000,000 less goods from Britain than during the same months in 1925. But while we were doing this, the preference to British goods was still in effect. The \$9,000,000 more from the United States, and \$2,000,000 more from France and Canada.

In past years Canada's main markets were Britain and the States. Thirty per cent of what we sell now goes to these lands.

Germany is a third best customer, passing Italy and Japan. In 1920 our total trade with Germany was \$445,000. In 1922 it had jumped to \$2,525,000. In 1923 it reached \$11,000,000. This year it is the present rate of business is maintained at \$14,000,000.

Not is it a mere matter of selling Germany wheat; we are selling a variety of things. Wheat, of course, is the chief sale; but it isn't all. We send German farm implements, canned goods, adding machines, rubber tires, dried apples, eggs, brass, lead and other things.

Germany sells Canada all sorts of things too. She sells us handkerchiefs, toys, cotton yarn, barbed wire. Everything she needs we can purchase in Britain.

There are other strange trends in our trade. Chinamen drop rice for wheat bread; we trade in cotton with China. Frigates? It is a name in our school books; it is a buyer of equipment. Cretes Slovakia is a country of the Treaty of Commerce; we stand high in the list of our customers. And so all through the chapter.

Before the war 22 per cent of Canada's imports came from Britain. For the period under review—April to August, 1925—they dropped to 15 per cent. During the full fiscal year ending March 31, 1926, they were down 17 per cent. We are buying less of British cloth, less of British cotton, less of British steel, less of British machinery, with resultant profits, is giving America the market with Germany competing.

The truth is that Canada's trade has become world wide. Inter-racial, cosmopolitan. It reaches to both hemispheres, to all continents; goes over the Seven Seas. Whether this trend will continue, only time can tell. There are those who think it will contain Empire, producing all its raw materials, manufacturing all its own goods, people, and machinery, saving, trading with itself. That was the dream of John Chamberlain; it is the vision of Mr. Amery. But for the present the reality is that Canada is trading more and more outside the Empire sphere more goods to foreigners, buying more foreign goods.

**Soldier Settlers Do Well**

As an indication of the profits that can be made in the West, the Soldiers' Settlement Board reports that soldier settlers are paying up their obligations and are now receiving \$200,000 per year in the first of October, which is the start of the 1926 settlement period.

**A Deep Oil Well**

The Valien well in the Turner Valley field has taken the production of the deepest oil wells in the world, having passed the 5,000-foot depth. Oil and gas have been encountered but the drillers are prepared to go 6,000 feet.

## Unusual Production In Poultry Country

Winning Pen in B.C. Lay Weight Nine Times Over

That the 2,556 eggs laid by the Appleby pen, winner of the recent egg laying contest, weighed 390 pounds and represented nine and one-half times the weight of the birds themselves, was one of many interesting facts regarding the contest held by Independent W. H. Mitchell, Executive of the Agassiz Experimental Farm at a company banquet tendered Frank W. Appleby by residents of his native town of Mission City, B.C.

A noteworthy feature, said Mr. Appleby, was that the pen at the close consisted of the original ten birds, they having gone through without loss or replacement, and despite their heavy production they had gained no pound in weight, their present weight being 42 pounds as compared with 41 when they entered. Except for four or five weeks at the start they had laid throughout and every member of the pen had qualified for registration, an honor shared by only two other pens.

Mr. McDonald, President of the Mission Poultry Association, who presided, told how some nine or ten years ago he had organized a boys' and girls' poultry club in Mission City. One of the members of which was their honored guest of the evening, his present Mr. Appleby with a special diploma from the British Columbia Poultry Association. Mr. McDonald mentioned that the birds had been restored as "Mission Leghorns."

## Skim Milk For Laying Hens

Demonstrated That Skim Milk Has High Feeding Value

A four year test at the Nappan, N.S., Experimental Farm shows that skim milk has a very high feeding value for laying hens. The experiment was conducted in order to determine the relative value of best cream and skim milk as a source of animal protein for poultry. The hens used in the test were divided into two pens and fed a regular grain mixture and dry mash. One pen was given best scrap in addition and the other skim milk. Both pens received all the vitamins they could take. Taking the average of four years the profit per bird over feed cost was \$1.67 for the skim milk and \$1.15 for the pen receiving best scrap. The hens receiving skim milk laid considerably more eggs and cost slightly less for feed than did the others.

Smith: "I understand some of your hens have stopped laying!"

Jones: "Two of them have, anyway."

"What's the cause?"

"A motor car."

The picturesque gondola of Venice is rapidly giving way to the more prosaic and speedier motor boat.

## Population Of The World

More Than Doubled Since Beginning Of Nineteenth Century

It is estimated that the population of the world increases at the rate of 50,000 a day, a fact which raises the problem of where those born in already overcrowded countries are to find room. Professor Edward Mearns East, of Harvard University, affirms that, taking the world over, there are on an average 10,000 births and 10,000 deaths a day—a net daily gain of 50,000. He places the present total population at 1,850,000,000, and says that since the beginning of the nineteenth century it has more than doubled. He believes that within the present century the United States will number 200,000,000, and quotes authorities to the effect that at that figure it will become stationary, statistics showing that as population reaches a certain density the rate increase falls off until it becomes fixed. This has already happened in China, and is about to operate in India. According to Professor East, the most important country in the world in the redistribution of the white races is Canada which occupies an area greater than that of the United States, and has at present only about 5,000,000 inhabitants, compared with America's 115,000,000. In population Canada is not only under-populated, but also lacks the food supplies, and the location, where only one-fifth of the arable area is yet under cultivation, is likely to accommodate large numbers of emigrants, who will play an important part in satisfying that demand. Professor East points out, however, that Canada, also, population is increasing rapidly. Her death-rate is 11.2 per thousand, compared with 11.9 in the United States, and her birth-rate 28.7 per thousand, compared with her neighbor's 22.5.

## Wild Ducks Shipped To Lord Byng

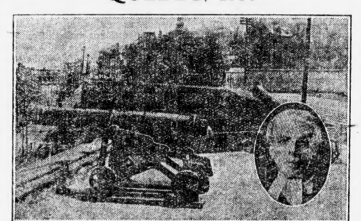
Ducks From Marples of Manitoba Sent to Estate in England

Twenty-two wild ducks, from the Marples estate, Manitoba, were shipped to the estate of Lord Byng of Vimy, at Thorpe Hall, Essex, England. The birds are a gift from the Marples family, who are the owners of the Marples estate, which was a highly placed with his duck shooting in Manitoba. They were caught young last spring and have spent the summer in Annapolis Park, under the supervision of George Champlin, of the Marples family, and were sent on Saturday night for St. John—Free Press.

A communist was caught playing a bomb under the stage of a Paris theatre—and thus another uplift movement failed.

Money talks, but it doesn't make a satisfactory financial statement.

## QUEBEC, 1759



Quebec at Quebec, which have been in the hands of the British. (From Lord Byng's diary.)

Lord Darling, England's great legal wit, who recently made an extended visit to America, is a lover of early Canadian history. The following poem written by him and published in England, has received much favorable comment.

I. The paths of glory lead but to the grave.  
Stern Death Warden speaks the while he scans the slain.  
Dark deeds behind him, and the French before him.  
Proud's steep cliff above the break- ing wave,  
That e'er shoreward here it's impaled.  
Till Albany's plain was shad- oved over.  
With silent ranks that one dread- ed file,  
Ere at his lifted sword they onward glide.

Now the tall column lifts towards the skies  
His form who trod the way whose path he treads.  
Stained with his blood this hall-hallowed soil,  
Whence he upturned those men at bay.  
Gleamed eyes:  
Where now undying bays the place bestow—  
Lay back, and gaze his grateful soul to God.

Yet no silent tide Wolfe that splen- did road.  
To the dark grave a fit companion came—  
Montcalm—the vanquished, who di- vides his fame;  
In whom, for France, an equal ardour glowed;  
On whom the victors hail their bays be- stowed.  
Two peoples with one voice their deeds acclaim;  
The name proud stone preserves each deathless name.  
Where drank one soil the noblest blood that flowed.

"Full in those ashes lie their wanted fire";  
That, mingled, on one Nation's altar burn.  
And, from the field where French and English fell,  
One soul, pure essence of those two, aspire.  
As generous, as noble, yet as stern,  
To guard the Empire that they made so well.

Lord Darling.

# Development of Rich Northland Will Follow Fast Upon The Completion of the H. B. Road

## Can Improve Wool By Culling Flocks With Defective Fleets

Fail to Give Time to Remove Sheep

"Quite frequently a shepherd inquires why his wool from the same flock of sheep grades lower than wool from a year or two previously," remarks W. H. J. Tisdale of the Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers. "In 1925, for instance, the bulk of this particular wool, we will say, was placed in one of the higher grades, while this season the same clip from exactly the same sheep is of some what lower quality. At first this seems rather hard to explain, but the answer is very simple."

The quality of wool depends upon many factors. Aside from the presence of each foreign substance as weeds, seed, chaff and similar material, feeding, age, and breeding have a lot to do with the value of the wool. When ewes get plenty of food and pasture in the late summer and fall, as has been the case this season, the clip should be heavy and the staple well grown with plenty of yolk of life. It is also a well established fact that as sheep grow older the wool becomes shorter and coarser, the first or sharing clip generally being the brightest and finest.

In order to maintain and improve the quality of the annual clip, Mr. Tisdale favors a careful examination of the flock at this time of year, when the bulk of the lambs and surplus males are being marketed. In selecting and retaining only those ewes and rams with the desirable wool characteristics, an improvement can be effected. Animals in the breeding flock should be well covered, free from any blemish under the belly and the wool must be fine and contain plenty of yolk. Sheep with a tendency towards black hairs should be discarded. The sire is half the flock, and by selecting him carefully, with particular attention to his fleece, the general clip can be improved rapidly. It is with this condition in mind that the Saskatchewan government is importing a number of fine wooled Rambouillet rams from the United States, so that the range breeders in the southern end of the province.

## Why Freezing Hark Milk

Low Temperature Injures Fat and Makes it Hard to Digest

Everyone knows that freezing hark milk, but few know why it is usually harmful to it when it is "frozen" on cold mornings. The most careful observer can find that the cream in the milk is not the same as in normal milk. He also notices a flaky appearance in the main portion of the milk. These are physical changes. The cream is actually churned in freezing, and once churned it can no more be "unchurned" than an egg can be "unbeaten." The flaky appearance is due to a change in the casein or curd of the milk, which has lost its original colloidal character. Milk is also chemically affected by freezing. Fat in its original state is an emulsion which is broken down by low temperature, so that the resultant substance is hard to digest and should not be fed to infants or sold for family use. Attention to keeping milk from freezing on the part of dairymen will give consumers more confidence in their product and lead to greater demand and higher prices.

## Increased Immigration

63 Per Cent Increase for Past Ten Months Over the Same Period Last Year

Immigration to Canada for the month of October totaled 19,000, according to an official statement issued recently by the Department of Immigration and Colonization. This is an increase of 50 per cent over the same month of the year 1924. In October, 1925, the total immigration was 7,702. The immigration for October, 1926, consisted of 3,654 Britons, 1,799 from the United States, and 4,569 from other countries.

For the ten months of the calendar year 1925, immigration amounted to 122,348, which is an increase of 63 per cent over the same ten months a year ago.

## Ginning Factory For Edmonton

Representatives of a fruit canning concern of New Westminster are reported in Edmonton looking for a site for a branch factory, which would be a three storey building, 50 by 175 feet, to begin with. The abundance of truck fruit produce in that area is a deciding factor.

More than 200,000,000 matches were made in England in the past year.

## Development of a salmon industry

in the Hudson Bay area would arise from the fishery and rival that of British Columbia, as pointed out by Dr. A. Larose, of The Pas, who discussed possibilities with ministers of the Privy Council at legislative buildings, says the Manitoba Free Press.

Larose, whose practice extends from The Pas to the shores of the bay, stated that at Port Churchill, which he visited during the summer, the Hudson's Bay company had installed a new perfected plant for extraction of whale oil, under the management of Capt. Milneberg, an experienced whaler. Employees of the company at the fort informed him that the auditor-general of the company from London, Eng., had intimated to them the intention of the company to exploit the fisheries of the bay to the fullest possible extent.

During his forecast of this prospect of the northland upon development already under way, and upon the need of resources awaiting capital and development, Dr. Larose reviewed these resources in detail. The principal industry, the fur industry, was fouling unimproved.

The potentialities of the mineralized areas were becoming more widely known, and Premier John Diefenbaker had indicated that the railway to the Pin Point mines would be built whenever the mine was developed. Dr. Larose said that a smelter in the district would make possible the operation of the Mandy lake, while the visible ore at the Pin Point was valued at \$200,000,000 and \$300,000,000. The Sherbrooke Mines and property in the Lake of the Woods was valued at \$200,000,000 and \$300,000,000. The value of the Mandy lake was valued at \$200,000,000 and \$300,000,000.

In water power there were numerous falls accessible and open to development all the way to the bay. Dr. Larose said that much was heard of development of Grand Rapids, where the prospects were that a second pulp mill would be built. The range of the Hudson's Bay area was said to be available for electricity on the Hudson's Bay railroad, which was said to be available for electricity on the Hudson's Bay railroad, which was said to be available for electricity on the Hudson's Bay railroad.

Nearer the mines was the Lynx falls, on Grand river, also awaiting development.

## Future Of Canada

To Occupy a Secure Place in the Commonwealth of Nations

There may be some who look forward to the ultimate independence of Canada, but I do not share this view, declared Hon. Newton Webster Rowell, K.C., addressing the Canadian Club at Vancouver on the work of the Imperial Conference.

"The future of Canada lies within the commonwealth of nations," Mr. Rowell added, "we have no more liberty than we had before, but the conference has shown our position in clearer terms than declared in the preceding declaration of our status."

"The great achievement of the conference," continued Mr. Rowell, "is that it secured unanimity."

In giving full and equal status to the self-governing Dominions, the belief was brought about of unity and strength of the whole, Mr. Rowell said. There might be a minority which would have the Dominions subordinate to the Mother country, but he believed that the future of Canada lay within the commonwealth of nations.

**Banned Hops From England**

Hops were introduced into England from Flanders. They were actually forbidden by Henry VIII, and in 1619 the City of London petitioned Parliament against them, on the ground that they were sold without the drink and endanger the lives of the people. But, in spite of this, hops had come into common use in the British Isles, some century and a half after their first introduction into England.

## Ancient Spring Still Flowing

A great head of water still flows from the rock wall of the Wady Ais Oudeir in the mountains of the Sinai, Arabia. This is the spot where Moses struck water from the rock and whence the twelve apostles were sent to a Canaan.

A ten-pound baby boy can make more noise than a 250-pound man can whisper.











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John Davison returned to  
Vanguard, Monday.

Mrs. Reddy, and son Harry,  
returned on Monday from Sas-  
katoon.

Slm Ladleur left this week  
for California, on a holiday  
trip.

Earl Saunders, returned last  
week from Saskatoon, where  
he spent the Christmas holi-  
days.

Miss Opal Boyd, returned  
on Monday, to Saskatoon to  
resume her studies at the Uni-  
versity.

Vio Saunders returned on  
Monday from Calgary and Sas-  
katoon, where he spent the  
Christmas and New Year's holi-  
days.

Norris Storey returned on  
Monday from Calgary, where  
he spent the New Year's holi-  
days.

Miss M. Nichols, teacher at  
the local school, returned on  
Saturday last, from holidays  
spent in Medicine Hat.

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O. U. Jensen, manager of the  
local creamery, is away on a  
brief holiday trip.

Miss Hazel Northcott, who  
was home for the holidays re-  
turned to Medicine Hat, this  
week.

Mrs. Geo. Goss, of Southamp-  
ton, Eng., arrived on Monday,  
on a visit with her brother and  
his wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. World,  
at their farm, southwest of  
town.

A message for the New Year,  
at the United Church, Sunday  
evening next, "Living the  
Straight Life."

J. Kluezy, recommenced  
his book-keeping duties, after  
an extended session of enforced  
illness, by sickness.

Ken McKee and John Sand-  
ercock, returned Tuesday to  
resume their teaching duties in  
the Schwaner district.

W. A. McNeill, of Saskatoon,  
visited here over Sunday and  
Monday, of his son, Dr. A. K.  
McNeill.

Dr. and Mrs. D. N. MacCharles,  
and Fat and Phyllis, left on  
Wednesday morning, for Win-  
nipeg, the Doctor stated he ex-  
pected to be gone for six months.

During the past week, a num-  
ber of our citizens have been  
suffering with a mild type of  
"flu," being confined to the  
house as a consequence.

Miss Ainsley, teacher of the  
junior school grades, arrived  
from Medicine Hat, Monday  
night.

Some streets are crooked,  
some dark, many uninviting.  
At the United Church, Sunday  
evening, the Minister's mes-  
sage will tell about living on  
Straight Street.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Rowles, and  
daughter, Miss Rowles, and son,  
Charles, returned on Wednes-  
day, from Evansburg, Alta.,  
where they spent the Christmas  
and New Year's holidays.

Miss Joan Sharp, who has  
been visiting at the home of  
her sister here, Mrs. J. McNeill,  
returned to Calgary, this week.

Timely Warning

Electrician, from top of build-  
ing from which four wires  
dangled: "Bill, catch hold of  
two of those wires."

Bill: "All right!"

Electrician: "Feel anything?"

Bill: "No."

Electrician: "Well, don't  
touch the other two, there's  
two thousand volts in them."

Ex.

Question of Watering Cattle  
During Winter, Important

For the first few years that  
winter feeding was carried on  
at the Experimental Station at  
Kesteven, there was an inade-  
quate water supply and that  
some distance from the feed  
corrals. Later the water supply  
was available for the cattle  
for only a short time in the  
forenoon. For the past half-  
dozen years the water has been  
stored in a large tank supplied  
with a heater which keeps it  
from freezing and the cattle can  
drink when they wish.

When the water was at a dis-  
tance from the corrals they  
would have to be driven to wa-  
ter, or they would wait till  
thirst compelled them. They  
would fill up with water, bump  
their backs, especially in cold  
weather, and not chew their  
cud for an hour or more after  
drinking. When watered once  
daily in the corral, the effect  
was similar, but not so bad.

When water was constantly  
available the cattle were going  
to water at all times but taking  
only a few mouthfuls at once,  
and they did not bump their  
backs nor shiver, but began  
chewing their cud almost im-  
mediately.

A 14 inch, self-acting cast-  
iron tank heater can be had for

about 1001. Coal necessary to  
operate it will be from 5 to 10  
pounds per day in cold weather.

Although there are no com-  
parative records as to gains in  
cattle watered differently, yet  
the more comfortable and  
thrifty appearance at all times  
would seem to justify the ex-  
pense many times over.

Pool Notes

The final estimate of the  
wheat crop of the three prairie  
provinces is 371,316,000 bushels.

The republic of Poland, through  
the Consul at Montreal,  
has made enquiries from the  
Alberta Wheat Pool as to op-  
eration and organization of the  
pool.

The January meeting of the  
Board of Directors of the  
Wheat Pool, will be held in  
Edmonton during the annual  
convention of the U. F. A., Jan-  
uary 28th to 31st, 1927.

A number of British Colum-  
bia wheat farmers on the Can-  
adian National line to Prince  
Rupert have joined the Alberta  
Wheat Pool. Samples of wheat  
from this part of B.C. received  
at the Pool Office in Calgary,  
are of excellent quality.

Weather during the holidays  
was very mild, which was a  
very distinct relief to the cool  
breeze. Local curling activities  
were suspended, as a result of  
the warm weather, over New  
Year's day.

Financial men in the dark  
to beco district of Kentucky,  
estimate the growers lost ten  
million dollars since the Pool  
went out of business there. The  
Dark Tobacco Pool failed be-  
cause of the intensive an-  
slaughts by the Tobacco Trade.  
Over-grading and poison propa-  
ganda were the methods used.

The Tale of Naut

Once there was a man named  
Naut.  
He never took sides on any

question, political or otherwise.

When a controversy arose  
over remodeling the old church  
house, Naut managed to avoid  
giving his views if he had any.

Once a man slandered and  
knocked Naut's home town, but  
that he had never really taken  
a stand on anything.

So S. P. told Naut that a man  
who stood for nothing, could  
stand anything, and that there  
was a place below that would  
just suit Naut.

Having never learned to stick  
up for his convictions, and for  
fear of "disturbing his quiet  
calm," Naut did not argue the  
matter and turned away into  
oblivion.

Thereafter Naut was neut.

But in the course of human  
events Naut died.

When he got up to the peary  
gates, St. Peter asked him  
what he had stood for while on  
earth. Naut admitted to S. P.  
that he had never really taken  
a stand on anything.

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who stood for nothing, could  
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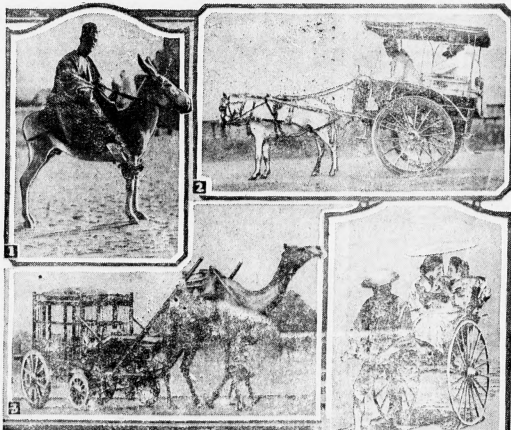
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Taxis in Foreign Lands Need No Speed Limit



(1) Still in use as in the time of Saladin the Prophet.  
(2) The Peking rickshaw, a very popular mode of conveyance.  
(3) The camel-car of India, oldest mode of transport.  
(4) The world-famous Japanese rickshaw.

Imagine our modern cities without  
taxis, or worse still without a speed  
limit! One is accustomed to step into  
a taxi and reach a destination many  
blocks or miles away in the space of  
a few moments, yet within a speed  
limit or all would be chaotic confusion  
with taxis running wild through the  
cities. Taxis and speed are two words  
synonymous in the United States and  
elsewhere. There are, however, many  
countries, especially in the imme-  
morial East, which use conveyances  
answering the same purposes for  
which no speed limit is needed, they  
move along in the leisurely way of the  
Orient, and yet meet the require-  
ments of people in those ancient  
lands.

The sedan chair, said to be named  
from Sedan, France, where it was  
first made or used, is used extensively  
in China. It is made for carrying a  
single person and is usually borne  
on poles by two men. In Hong Kong  
rickshaws are also used on the lower  
levels of the city, but the sedan  
chairs are used on the hills.

The jantichka of Japan, is the  
nearest approach to a taxi, for this  
thing that at times nearly hovers one  
over, is the man-taxi of the East, the  
rubber-tired, brass-lamped, white  
cushioned vehicle.

Possibly Peking has the greatest  
collection of strange foreign taxis  
of any city. Through the Chien Men  
— the front door of Peking, come  
strings of double-humped, long-haired  
Bactrian camels from the Gobi  
Desert carrying the very best of goods  
to the desert with them and all the  
mystery of the Mongolian wastes.

The next vehicle that may enter the  
Chien Men — the mouth of that  
fabled dragon whose eyes are two of  
the other nine gates, and whose body  
is the breathing city itself, is the  
little grey donkey, with a string of  
clatter ringing bells. This is a small  
compact two-wheeled springless con-  
veyance carried in blue and it is  
sometimes drawn by mules arrayed in  
the most picturesque manner, and is  
also favoured by the Japanese who  
call it a "kado."

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